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Re: **U.S. Patent Application Entitled "IN SITU THERMAL PROCESSING OF A HYDROCARBON CONTAINING FORMATION USING A NATURAL DISTRIBUTED COMBUSTOR" -- Vinegar, et al.**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a disclosure including a title page, a 274 page specification, 772 pages of claims (Claims 1-5395), and a one page abstract. In addition, we have also included 182 formal drawings on 163 sheets. The disclosure and drawings constitute the application of Harold J. Vinegar, Scott L. Wellington, Eric de Rouffignac, John M. Karanikas, Ilya E. Berchenko, George L. Stegemeier, Kevin A. Maher, Etuan Zhang, Gordon T. Shahin, James L. Menotti, John M. Coles, Thomas D. Fowler, Charlie R. Keedy, Ajay M. Madgavkar, Martijn van Hardeveld, Robert C. Ryan, Lanny Schoeling and Fred G. Carl for the above-entitled invention.

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